

# ***Town of Frederick Town Board***



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**IM 2009- 011**

## **Posting Dockets on the Web**

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**Agenda Date:** Town Board Meeting – May 26, 2009


**Attachments:** a. Survey

**Issue/Request:**

*Currently, Municipal Court dockets are posted on line. No juvenile names are posted on the criminal docket. Policy stemmed from a desire by the Town Board to stay abreast of what was occurring in the Municipal Court.*

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**Submitted by:**

  
Court Clerk

**Approved for Presentation:**

  
Town Administrator

**AV Use Anticipated**

Projector \_\_\_\_\_ Laptop \_\_\_\_\_

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**Certification of Board Review:**

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Town Clerk

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Date

**Detail of Issue/Request:**

*At the request of the Board, a survey has been completed on the CAMCA website to determine how many Courts provide the same service as Frederick by posting their dockets on the web. As you can see from the survey, no other Courts provide this service. Most of the Courts post their dockets on site only.*

*It will be recommended by Judge Cahn that the dockets be posted at the Court on the day of the hearing only and not posted on the web. Dockets are available to the public through normal public records request.*

**Legal/Political Considerations:**

*Though not a violation of any due process rights, public perception of guilt arises when name and charge are posted. Most people will not follow the process to conclusion and many will infer guilt without knowing the actual outcome.*

**Alternatives/Options:**

*Continue posting the dockets on the web.  
Post dockets on site on the day of Court which is currently being done.*

**Financial Considerations:**

*Not Applicable*

**Staff Recommendation:**

*It is the recommendation of Judge Cahn that dockets be posted on site only on the day of Court.*